

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 2 2890 WOODBRIDGE AVENUE EDISON, NEW JERSEY 08837

April 4, 2006

Eple Investment Company PO Box 2451 Morristown, NJ 07963

Re: Consent to Access for Sub-slab and Indoor Air Sampling for the property at Block 4801, Lot 23 (Dumont Place, Morristown, NJ.)

To Whom It May Concern:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is currently investigating groundwater contamination in the vicinity of Morris Avenue, Wilmot Street and Pine Street in Morristown, New Jersey. Preliminary investigations have indicated significant tetrachloroethene (PCE) and trichloroethene (TCE) concentrations in shallow ground water in that area. PCE and TCE are chemical compounds known as volatile organic compounds (VOCs), which easily evaporate into the air. Similarly, VOCs can move from groundwater through the soil into air inside homes and businesses.

EPA would like to determine the potential for intrusion of chemical vapors into structures that are located above or near the groundwater contaminated with VOCs. EPA will be performing interior sampling in your area during late April 2006. Your property is among those that EPA believes should be tested as a precaution.

We wish to make an appointment to visit your property to collect a soil gas sample below your basement or building slab and to collect samples of your indoor air. The sub-slab sampling will involve drilling a small hole through the concrete slab and installing a sampling port. The port will be capped flush with the floor following sampling. For the indoor air sampling, EPA will set up three small sampling devices in your residence for 24 hours. The sampling will involve one visit over each of three days at mutually convenient times. EPA will provide you with the results of the sampling when they become available.

In order to perform the testing, EPA is seeking consent to access your property. Enclosed you will find an access form, which we request you to sign to provide access for this purpose. Please

mail the signed form to David Rosoff, USEPA, 2890 Woodbridge Avenue, Building 209, Edison, New Jersey 08837. In the near future, an EPA representative will call you or visit your property to schedule a sampling event for the month of April.

Also enclosed is a fact sheet about vapor intrusion. Should you have any additional questions regarding this matter please contact me at 732-906-6879 or EPA's Community Involvement Coordinator, Pat Seppi, at 646-369-0068.

Sincerely,

David Rosoff

On-Scene Coordinator

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